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### **Ford makes** broadband funding announcement in Minden

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Ontario Premier Doug Ford and members of his cabinet were in Minden on Wednesday, Oct. 4 to make a substantial funding announcement regarding broadband internet.

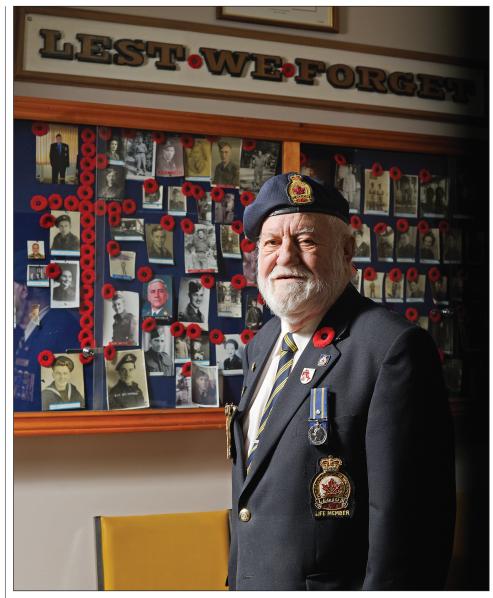
That announcement, which came ahead of Thursday's provincial budget, was for \$680 million in new funding for internet projects throughout Ontario, which comes in addition to \$315 million in existing funding through what the government calls Up To Speed: Ontario's Broadband and Cellular Action Plan. The announcement took place within the Minden branch of the Haliburton County Public

"For communities like Minden, better broadband can make a world of difference," Ford said. "It means more economic development, more chances to grow a business, more opportunities for young people, and we'll continue to grow and expand these investments, with our telecom and municipal partners.'

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP and Ontario Infrastructure Minister Laurie Scott called the announcement a 'watershed moment" for broadband.

"This includes the doubling of our

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### **Lest We Forget**

Ed Pickard, past-president of the Haliburton branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, said Remembrance Day is about honouring people who "gave their lives for us." He has served the Legion for 42 years, 40 of them with the Haliburton branch. "It's a great organization and we just have to remember what's happened in the past and hope we don't have to go through it again," he said. His wife Billy Pickard died two years ago at 97. She served in the Canadian army as a postal clerk during the Second World War in Europe for three years, ensuring soldiers at the front remained connected to families at home. She later became a Haliburton Legion member. More than one million Canadians and Newfoundlanders served in the military during the Second World War. 45,000 of them died./DARREN LUM Staff

### Wilberforce lost in virtual shuffle

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

It's hard to imagine there would be any confusion at the post office in Wilberforce where postmaster Mary Barker has worked for the past 15 years, following in her father's footsteps leading the delivery outpost - but that's exactly what's happening with residents becoming befuddled by mistakes companies and websites are making.

Standing at the postal outlet counter within Agnew's General Store in Wilberforce, Barker points to her rental house across the road, listed on Airbnb.

"When you go on [the site], it says it's in Tory Hill. People that moved in on a street behind there on Clement Lake Road ... when they moved into the house and tried to get hydro and Bell they were told they lived in Tory Hill. They came in to [see] me and said, 'Isn't this Wilberforce?' 'Yes, you live in Wilberforce,'" she said.

Wilberforce and other areas in the municipality are also sometimes referenced as Highlands East.

'It's either Tory Hill, or Highlands East is the other problem ... I'm getting a lot of mail that's coming in addressed to Highlands East with Wilberforce's postal code, but Highlands East has several towns in it. It's quite often they'll have the wrong postal code," she said.

When incorrectly labelled mail comes to her, she makes the correction, but it takes time. In addition, if Tory Hill mail is processed in Haliburton and the cor-

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### Address issues lead to issues with mail, tourism

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rection isn't made there, the mail will be returned to the

And while Airbnb made the correction from Tory Hill to Wilberforce, Barker said she's since had guests tell her that the incorrect information has returned.

She wonders what will happen during the weeks leading up to Christmas when deliveries ramp up for the busy time of the year. Parcel mail volume is already high due to COVID-19 demands.

Barker said she noticed the problem for the first time more than a year ago.

At first she thought it was strange, but the number of incidents have steadily grown. Another instance she's heard of is in the online game Pokèmon Go, which also labels locations in Wilberforce as Tory Hill.

The mix-up can sometimes disrupt marketing and promotion, particularly with geocaching (a type of GPS treasure hunt) being a popular pastime in the municipal-

Barker and her friend Joanne Vanier, Highlands East economic development coordinator, are both promoters of geocaching in the area. They said searching through the geocaching.com Wilberforce yields incorrect results or no results at all. Vanier said it's difficult situation.

"When I search Wilberforce, Ontario, I get a place in California," she said. "I search Wilberforce, Ontario, Canada, and I get nothing."

After she reached out to geocaching.com, little help was forthcoming, she said. They called it a "complex situation" in an email. The short-term suggestion was to adjust marketing to focus on Highlands East rather than a specific village and reference specific links in their social media posts.

"It was very frustrating," Vanier said.
People do continue to find the area anyway, whether it's through searching for the area's Geotour, "geocaching capital of Canada," or by using Tory Hill as the search term.

Highlands East fire chief Chris Baughman said there hasn't been cause for concern dispatching the department. However, he has personally experienced a few GPS issues with addresses that say Harcourt when they should be Tory Hill.

"One address doesn't even come to mind, but I've had that before where I know where an address is, but it's showing up very wrong on a map as far as GPS," he said.

Although Haliburton County uses the municipal 911 system, which is the standard in Ontario, private companies such as Google, MapQuest, and Bell Canada are not required to use it, said the county's director of planning



Although properties in Wilberforce may be in the village itself, some companies may label them as Tory Hill or Highlands East. / DARŘEN LUM Staff

Charlsey White.

There is/used to be a difference between the county providing a property with a 911 number, Canada Post providing the property a mailing address and a web service creating a directions tool," White said in an email. "The County's recent partnership with Municipal 511 has led to greater consistency between the County, Google and Waze.'

The same address on the Barry Line, for example, could be classified as Dysart et al by the county, Google and MapQuest, but would be labelled Haliburton by Canada Post.

"Wilberforce does come up in Google Maps, as do similar place names like Eagle Lake or Tory Hill. But these are not addressed places, they are not towns, cities, municipalities in the legal meaning of those terms which may be why companies do not use them and instead use Highlands East or Dysart et al," she wrote. "I note some places on Essonville Line come up as County Road 4 and others come up as Tory Hill. A person would really need to connect with the specific company to find out how they 'address' or 'map'. These nuances are outside the jurisdiction of the County of Haliburton."

Belinda Gallagher has lived in the Tory Hill area for the past decade and said she was made aware of an issue when her subscription to a U.S.-based magazine wasn't renewed even though automatic billing was set up

A week before it was due to renew, she received notice indicating there was a problem with the credit card. Around the same time, an online purchase with a feed company in the Maritimes led to an alert about her credit card.

She called her credit card company to inquire and their response was that the information the businesses had wasn't aligning with their records.

"When you do things over the phone you usually have to give them your address," she said. "They will run the

postal code and if the postal code address doesn't match the address they have on file they will decline the card. And that's what had happened because my mailing address had been Tory Hill and all of a sudden it was coming up (when they ran the address) as Highlands

East so the data wasn't matching."

The situation reminded her of an email she'd received from the networking website LinkedIn, which had said her address had changed to Highlands East. At the time, she didn't think anything of it, but the credit card customer service representative said that change could prompt a declined card.

The LinkedIn example was disconcerting because they changed her address without notification.

A few weeks later, she checked in with LinkedIn to see if it had worked itself out. It had not.

Gallagher said she wonders what this could mean for others who may not have the same kind of diligent followup she received.

"I think of people [who] maybe have stuff in storage, you know, and they leave their credit card there and if it doesn't renew. I thought of all the places where it might run into a problem where these people immediately got back to me that [their] card hadn't gone through. One, because I was purchasing something and the other is they're just efficient," she said. "But there are loads of places that aren't that quick on the draw to track you

In some cases, not having an automatic renewal go through could pose a significant issue. Gallagher gave the example of CAA.

"I can't imagine being out on the highway broken down and calling up CAA and then they say, 'sorry we haven't renewed your membership because [of] the card' - now a company like that probably does follow up, but you don't know," she said.

### CORRECTION

The article "Pursuing passions of the heart in the Highlands," published in last week's Echo incorrectly stated that Dana McMullen was a National Geographic contributor from 2014 to 2017. He was a contributor from 2016 to 2019

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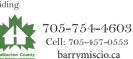
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### Drowning suspected on Lake Kashagawigamog

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Staff Reporter

County

A person died in Lake Kashagawigamog in a suspected drowning during the weekend, the Haliburton Highlands OPP have confirmed.

Police have confirmed that on Saturday, Nov. 7, a group of males was swimming in the lake when one did not resurface. He has been identified as 23-yearold Mohamed Amar Mukthar of Mississauga. The Minden Hills Fire Department, the OPP's aviation unit, and underwater search and recovery unit assisted in the search. A post-mortem examination will take place in

#### **New Cases Reported Today** Haliburton KawarthaLakes Northumberland **Total Confirmed Cases to Date** 187 260 Haliburton (HAL) Kawartha Lakes (CKL) Northumberland (NTH) HKPRDHU

#### COVID-19 Contacts, Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths by County Hospitalization Deaths among Current Cases Not Cases Current High-Deaths among Probable Cases Probable Cases

Haliburton Kawartha Lakes 167 10 0 19 13 11 Northumberland 48 0 0

#### COVID-19 Contacts, Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths, HKPRDHU

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HKPRDHU	6	234	19	0	15	20	13	

### **Three** confirmed COVID-19 cases in Haliburton County

While the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge Nov. 9 update of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the region resulted in no new cases in Haliburton County, three cases reported last week are not resolved, with four current high-risk contacts being listed. For more information visit http://www.hkpr. on.ca. /Screenshot

## Two Lions recognized for service achievement

JENN WATT

Editor

Two members of the Haliburton and District Lions Club were bestowed prestigious awards for their contributions to the club, the district and the wider community.

Mary Lawr and Betty Mills received the International Leadership Medal and International President's Medal, respectively via courier - an untraditional method of delivery, but appropriate during the pan-

"I got a message in my email that said this is a tracking number for my order and I thought, 'I didn't order anything,'" Lawr said. "... And then UPS showed up in my driveway and there was this letter and a medal saying I had won this service [award]."

Mills had the same experience, with a box arriving containing an unexpected

"It's not something that you expect or work to get. It was a total surprise," she

The awards recognize the hours these members spent working on projects on behalf of the service club. Lawr, who was service chairperson during the 2019 year (which for the Lions goes from July 2019 to June 2020), was involved with many of the local club's projects.

Some of those include a bottle and can collection with refunds going to the Walk for Service Dogs, Reverse Advent Calendar for the food bank, eyeglasses collection for those in need, and the Cash Calendars fundraiser. In addition, the annual polar dip coordinated by the Lions raises funds for the Hospital for Sick Kids.

Mills, who was service chairperson for the District A16, said many of her hours were collected as she worked with the 52 clubs included in the region, assisting them in reporting their service activities.

"Every club has different service activ-



Mary Lawr received the International Leadership Medal for her efforts as the club service chair in 2019 for the Haliburton and District Lions Club. She said the award was a surprise, delivered to her home by a UPS truck, since public ceremonies aren't possible during the pandemic. /Photo submitted

ities, but they're not reporting them to anybody and nobody knew about them at the upper level of international Lions. ... Lions Club International is a very big organization and they get a lot of support for funding [from] corporate sponsorships and trust funds [etc.] that can help to alleviate some of the situations in the world ... In order to get funding from these other organizations, it's important to have data and they found there was more service going on than was being reported and told to these big companies," she said. She also helped to coordinate information sharing between clubs, with a list of successful service activities to inspire members.

Funding was also obtained to benefit frontline workers in Bobcaygeon, where a COVID-19 outbreak killed several residents at a nursing home. The grant was about \$14,000, which was spent primarily on food for the workers, through gift cards to restaurants



Haliburton Lion Betty Mills received the International President's Medal for her efforts as the global service chair for District A16. /

"By asking the frontline workers, they said they would love to be able to pick up a meal after a shift and go home and eat or go wherever they were going, a lot of them were in isolation," Mills said.

Mills was first a "partner in service" with the Lions, since her husband David has been a Lion since 1972. She joined the organization in 2006. She said the experience has been a meaningful one.

"I've met some of the nicest people that I've ever met in my life, because we're all kind of like-minded, wanting to help other people," she said. Her time with the organization has enhanced her leadership and public speaking skills and she has met people from all walks of life. It's also something she can share with her hus-

Lawr has been a Lion for about the same amount of time, and said she was convinced to join by a friend and enjoyed it. She said even when times get stressful, she knows she can chat with her fellow Lions and they get through it together. Receiving an award for her work was a

pleasant surprise, she said.

"I still can't believe it. I had to put it online so my kids could see it," she said. '... I was very, very surprised and very honoured that they did this because I had never heard of the service award before. I just did it because that's what I like to

Linda Heeps, club secretary, keeps track of the metrics for the Haliburton and District Lions Club. She said for the 2019 year (July to June), 3,799 people were served, 172 activities completed, 3,990 volunteer hours completed, \$27,551 dollars donated (U.S.), and \$32,218 funds raised (U.S.).

### Wilberforce resident wins \$50,000

Wilberforce resident Sally Stoughton top prize of \$50,000. She bought her ticket is an Instant Bingo winner, receiving the

from Foodland in Wilberforce.



### A helping hand

Haliburton Rotaract Club members assembled 14 basic needs bags on the weekend with food, school, and household supplies purchased from Haliburton Foodland and Glecoff's Family Store. The project was made possible through a United Way grant and through communication with local organizations, several local families were identified who would benefit from the supplies. The club intends to do another round of packages closer to







### Conversations, greater awareness after Treaties Recognition Week

**SUE TIFFIN** 

Staff Reporter

Learning around Treaties Recognition Week at J.D.Hodgson Elementary School last week has led to conversations about history, but also current events, as students gain a greater awareness of treaties and the ongoing rights and obligations they define for everyone who lives in Canada.

In Mike van den Hengel's Grade 8 class, they're conversations that happen throughout the school year, but he notes the topic is one that has been made more school-wide this year, with teachers using daily activities, educational videos, and projects around writing, oral language and media literacy to further explore the

"For my class particularly, we're really jumping in and looking at the number of treaties, the kids are in the process of making a documentary about each number of treaty," he said. "I'm hoping when they're done we might even be able to share those with the entire school, so that they can kind of have an understanding of, you know, different areas of the country. I know we know the provinces, but do we really know what land that was previously, or what treaty that land is under and maybe what some of the impacts have been for different groups."

Treaties Recognition Week has been commemorated in Ontario during the first week of November since 2016.

"This annual event honours the importance of treaties and helps students and residents of Ontario learn more about treaty rights and relationships," reads information on the provincial government's website. "By learning more about our collective treaty rights and obligations, we can create greater understanding and nurture these relationships." The week responds to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action of 2015 to increase treaty aware-

"For the immediate grades, we start talking about things like resource development in Canada," said van den Hengel. "Disproportionately resource development in Canada," said van den Hengel. opment does impact First Nations people, and ... it's a conversation that we're starting to have, about our life [depending] on resource development. A lot of our product technology, a lot of the things that we take for granted and a lot of the things that power our societies are based on this, but they come disproportionately at the expense of Indigenous people, and this is something that, I think it's a conversation we're having that, you know, there's almost like two countries in one, in a way."

Current event discussions have revolved around the Mi'kmaq lobster crisis, the land claim dispute in Caledonia,

and the Wet'suwet'en pipeline conflict.
"It's been interesting to hear some of the kids and their perspectives on things, because I'm not sure they've had these conversations either, and it has been a focus point in my class at least for a few years now, but for some of them, there seems to be kind of an awareness," said van den Hengel. "Kids have a pretty strong sense of fairness, right, so some of the things that are going on, they're like, is that necessarily fair, but also we do need some of these things in our life, so how do we work these relationships out."

According to the Government of Canada website, the first treaty was signed on this land - between Indigenous groups and the British Crown for the British Colonies of North America – in 1701, while the first treaties signed with the Canadian government occurred in 1871. The most recent treaty signed, the Cree Nation Governance Agreement, occurred in 2018.

"Treaties uphold Indigenous rights to land, resources, water, health care, education and much more," reads a statement from the Toronto Public Library. "At times, Canada has not upheld their end of these agreements. But Indigenous peoples continue to uphold their end of the agreement. These treaties, signed by previous and current governments, include everyone who lives in Canada. Everyone is responsible to uphold treaty rights.'

Van den Hengel begins the conversation going over the baseline of what a treaty is with his students.

"It's pretty much the foundation of the country, as well," he said. "I mean, when a lot of these treaties were signed, they were land sharing agreements, and I kind of talk about that.

While he was working in Milton, van den Hengel brought students to the Woodland Cultural Centre near Brantford. It was there, during a treaty workshop, he learned of an experiential learning experience to help students understand the Haldimand proclamation.

"That treaty initially was 950,000 acres, so you'd set out a bunch of hula hoops for the kids to stand in," said van den Hengel. "Then there's all these land claims and all these other portions of this particular treaty that were then signed away to settlers as they came to Canada. As each one of those happens, kids have to get out of their hula hoop and go find their way into another one. By the end there's one or two hula hoops and it obviously doesn't fit 25 kids anymore. That's kind of a visual representation.'

COVID-19 social distancing means van den Hengel had to create a different type of visual this year.

"After that I go into the history of it, when the treaties were signed, who they were signed by, which First Nations groups were held under those treaties, and kind of what the outcomes have been since," he said. "A lot of that has to do with, there's some information I have to give the kids, but then there's some individual investigation they do themselves ... The more information I find about this online ... as the internet has expanded in northern territories around Canada, [a lot of the First Nations themselves are] more willing to get the information out themselves, so kids can get their side of the

The conversations have been productive, van den Hengel said, and noted that many students are carrying those discussions on, outside of the classroom.

"A lot of the kids, apparently, from parents I've heard have been going home and talking about these things, so that's encouraging," he said.

The documentary project has kids working in groups - the online digital program they're using allows them to work together while not being in proximity to each other, working in different areas of the classroom on the same project. After viewing Ken Burns documentary clips as an example of good historical documentaries, the students set out to make their own.

"They're going to research a number treaty somewhere in Canada, see which First Nations groups were kind of there before the treaty was signed, what their lives were like before, and then some of the resource projects are how the Canadian government has benefited from the treaty, and also how some of the First Nations have benefited from certain treaties as well. I'm not going to say that all of these things are particularly negative," said van den Hengel. "In some ways, there are First Nations around the country that are doing particularly well, particularly if they're close to some of these resource developments, that's a point that's often lost as well."

Students' documentaries will document the findings of their research.

"What they're going to do afterwards is kind of look at the outcomes of the treaty and how it's impacted that area, how it's impacted traditional ways of life, culture, and how it's impacted Canada, as well, so what has been the benefit for Canadian citizens, of this treaty," said van den Hengel. "It's not all bad. It's also one of those things where some of these promises that were made were never kept. And, they're going to come to their own conclusions with their own research and everything as well. There's no predestined outcome or anything, it's kind of just like, look into the treaty and tell me what you think has happened there."

The students have been excited to participate in the project, which also works to develop greater media literacy skills. It's been exciting for van den Hengel, too, to teach the students after his own experiences of working on a reserve for three

"It's something that's near and dear to me," he said. "I like imposing some of that on the kids, and giving them some of the knowledge that I gained, because I was ignorant when I went out there. I really didn't know too much about First Nations people, Indigenous people, their culture or anything. It was eye-opening."

According to their land acknowledgement statement, the Trillium Lakelands District School Board operates in the traditional homeland of the Ojibway Nation and the Huron/Wendat Nation, and now includes communities from the Mohawk Nation, the Pottawatomi Nation and the Metis Nation of Ontario.

"It's going to be a focus for us as a school throughout the year, this is a big thing with reconciliation is maybe coming to terms with aspects of our history that we haven't before," said van den Hengel.

For more information visit ontario.ca/ Indigenous, the school board's Indigenous Education page at https://www. tldsb.ca/indigenous-education/or via the websites of Indigenous communities.

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### What students have learned

Cohen Nimigon - "I have learned about a few things. We learned about the Mi'kmaq and the Wet'suwet'en. The government gave treaty rights to Indigenous people but some Canadians don't understand these rights so we have a situation like with the Lobster Crisis in Nova Scotia. We talked about land use too and I think the government are overruling the terms of the treaties that they made."

Hannah Sharp - Hannah highlighted the disputes within some Indigenous communities about resource development and jobs. especially among the Wet'suwet'en where there was lots of community support for the pipeline. "Since this issue has started there has been many protests to stop the pipeline from across Canada from many different groups. In February there were railway blockades that caused many people to lose their jobs and hit the economy hard. When COVID got serious the pipeline was paused and to be negotiated later. Many of the Wet'suwet'en people are all for the pipeline because it can supply them jobs but then there are many that don't want it because they are able rely on themselves and live the way they had."



"Gaia's Gift" made of clay and glaze, by Brenda Nieves, greets visitors as they enter the Fireworks 2019 show. /JENN WATT Staff

# Fireworks at **Rails End Gallery**

JENN WATT

Editor

A sea of ceramics greets guests at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton where Fireworks, the biennial juried exhibition of work from FUSION: The Ontario Clay and Glass Association has been on display since Sept. 21.

Featuring some of the best work from the association's membership, the show demonstrates the versatility of ceramics and glass with works that range from sculptural to functional.

"I love to bring [Fireworks] to Halibur-

Paula Cooley's "UNGUÍS' ceramic sculpture invites the imagination to explore.



ton," said Rails End curator Laurie Jones. "The general public is very interested in these artforms, but so are ceramic artists living and working in Haliburton."

Fireworks 2019 travels to galleries around Ontario for two years and after its stop in Haliburton is next headed to Thunder Bay. Jones said she likes to have it at the gallery during The Studio Tour, offering residents and visitors an oppor-

tunity to enjoy the exploratory artwork.

Jurors noted that works were selected based on form, concept, technique, artist statement and look of the piece.

You can check out pieces in Fireworks at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton until Saturday, Nov. 14.



Denise Smith's work, "Night Raid," might at first look like an idyllic winter scene, until you look more closely at the havoc caused in this miniature neighbourhood.

### JDHES student Remembrance Day artwork



By Rilynn McFadden-Bain



By Sarah Hollands



By Lara Gallant



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### **Acts of remembrance**

**EMEMBRANCE DAY** in Haliburton County is taken seriously. Poppies over hearts, residents not only take a moment to think of those have served, they participate in the ceremonies each year.

On Nov. 11, crowds invariably gather around cenotaphs in the Highlands to watch as wreaths are placed, the honour roll is read, and The Last Post is played, reflecting on the horrors of war and the

bravery of ordinary people.

The symbolism of the rituals and the power of a community coming together makes for a moving annual tribute. The gravity of the sacrifice is deeply felt - you can see it on the faces of the hundreds who gather on the streets.

Typically, Remembrance Day is a full-day event, with the Legion branches holding luncheons and dinners, with additional opportunities to remem-

In 2020, the general public is being discouraged from participating in this tradition. A few members of the Legion will be conducting a scaled-down version of the ceremony at the cenotaph, but instructions have been given that most of us stay

This may be a difficult request for some, but it's being asked to ensure the public's safety. A

crowded street creates too many potential opportunities for the coronavirus to spread.

So we must mark the occasion in other ways. It's not ideal, but it's not insurmountable.

In Ottawa, a pared down ceremony will take place with only 100 people allowed – most of them government officials and dignitaries, broadcast on TV by the major networks as well as through the Royal Canadian

Legion's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/CanadianLegion/.

Closer to home, the Haliburton Legion branch will also record the event, hoping to either live-stream it online or post it after the event.

We can each in our own way remember, too. When we pin our poppies to our

jackets, we can try to imagine what it would have been like to volunteer to fight overseas, or to say goodbye to a loved one as they left for a war from which they might never return. At the 11th hour on Nov. 11, we can observe two minutes of silence, marking the day and time when hostilities from the First World War ended in 1918. And during our own time, we can make a point to visit the cenotaph – an act recommended in a column by museum director Kate Butler – to read over the names and honour those who served.





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Milkweed overlooking Lake Kashagawigamog

by Darren Lum

### **Show towels**

ON'T USE the good towels!" her mother yelled up the stairs. The thick raspberry-coloured towels hung luxuriously over the bathroom towel rack. But instead of reaching for one, Monika had to settle for a thread-bare, almosta-rag piece of cloth that had been hanging in the same spot for at least a week. Such was life in a big fancy house made of cards.

Monika hadn't thought of the show towels for years. But today on a beautiful spring-in-autumn kind of day, they crossed her mind as she stepped out of the shower. The smell of damp leaves warmed by the sun wafted in through

the open bathroom window. Blue jays and chickadees called from the birdfeeders, the sound mixing with her own soft humming as she rubbed away the water and gave herself a pleasant buffing. Ah the joys of a big fluffy towel.

As a child and then young adult, such a luxury was unavailable. Her family had lived in a prestigious area of the city. Country clubs, private schools and housekeepers were the order of the day for many of the neighbours. Monika's par-

ents had moved there when her father's business was doing well. It was a step up and her mother had been especially thrilled with the new address.

But business took a down-turn and continued that way with only the occasional up-swing. So although nothing looked different on the outside, inside the house there were limits put on what didn't show to outsiders. Monika learned how to use a sewing machine. More bread at dinner to fill up all those stomachs. And towels that had started as wedding gifts 15 years before were still hanging in the bathroom. How Monika hated them. They were thin, scratchy and not very absorbent.

Once a year her parents had what was known as a cocktail party. Despite hard times, her parents insisted they keep this up and so plans were made for special food, drink and time to bring out the good towels. Her mother had bought them on sale one year and so these were

the ones pulled out of the linen closet and put on display for the party guests.

Now as she spread her towel out to dry, Monika couldn't help but think of how people can put value on the strangest things. The place we live, the clothes we wear and the way we furnish our home. It can be so deceiving and yet many people will judge another's worth by those very things. Status and appearance are valued as being equal to happiness. Of course Monika knew this not to be true. For despite the beautiful large house sitting well back from a quiet tree-lined street the family living in that building were not very happy. But no one knew.

Down

sharon lynch

Monika only realized something was not quite right as she grew closer to adulthood. And as she was on her way out the door and into her own life journey, it no longer mattered to her. She would make her own way with her own priorities. However she also figured out how difficult it must have been for her parents, particularly her mother. Wanting to work outside the home but thwarted by her husband's pride as breadwinner, she sat at home frustrated and cut off from those around

her. There was no way she could join the other women for golf or long lunches at the club. She pretended she really wasn't interested in those anyway, but the adult Monika knew differently.

As a widow her mother had been even more isolated in that big old house. Depressed and in failing health, she eventually lived mostly in the kitchen, den and bedroom. The rest of the rooms sat dusty and unused, lights rarely turned on and besides her mother, only the cat coming and going through the

To smell the gentle breeze, hear the birdsong and look forward to days with walks and chatting with friends, these were what Monika valued. As long as she had a reasonably comfortable roof over her head, food in the kitchen and people she cared about, life could not be better. Lovely thick towels were just a

## points of view

### Monkey business

OST PEOPLE have probably heard about the Infinite Monkey theory – but in case you haven't, it suggests that if an infinite number of monkeys were placed at an infinite number of typewriters, one of them would eventually write *Hamlet*.

This is one of those theories you cannot argue with – but only because the word infinite is attached to it. Because of that qualifier, you would have to test the theory for as long as it took for the action to occur – which could be a very long

But, frankly, the idea is silly. Not because of the monkeys either.

First of all, good luck finding an infinite number of oldstyle typewriters these days. And even if you did, where are you going to get all the ribbons from? And let's not even talk about the mega-gallons of whiteout that you would need, because, as we all know from greeting cards, monkeys are notoriously bad typists.

In case you ever wondered, this is the kind of thing you think about while sitting on a deer stand.



steve galea

You also come to realize that most species of monkeys are not exactly gentle with typewriters. In fact, any monkey worth its weight in bananas would destroy a typewriter in a day or two. But again, we are talking about an infinite amount and since it is infinite, there would probably be a monkey who could repair typewriters at a reasonable price too.

So, in the end, it comes right down to money.

I mean, whether intended or not, this is clearly a cut and dried case

of plagiarism. No court in the land would deny that. Which means, that monkey and his literary agent better get a good lawyer because they are bound to get sued.

After all, we are talking about a word for word rip off of one of the most famous plays in human history. There's no way you could convince anyone that it just happened randomly.

So that poor monkey would have to forfeit all his earnings from what he wrote. Add to that lawyer's fees and penalties awarded to Shakespeare's estate for loss of revenue and you can see it's a costly proposition.

It would amount to financial ruin for even the most fiscally responsible monkey. Then again, if that monkey were fiscally responsible, it would not be a writer.

Worse still, since the play is internationally famous, the monkey in question would also make headlines as the one who thought he could get away with plagiarizing Hamlet.

Oh sure, the notoriety might get the monkey a couple of interviews on CNN or a late-night talk show or two - after all, not every monkey can type a Shakespearian play.

But other writers would not trust the monkey in question. They'd never invite it to writer's circles or divulge projects they were working on because that monkey is a known plagiarist.

The monkey's writing career would be done. It would be a

People would point at it and whisper, "He's a cute monkey but a dirty, rotten plagiarist."

And, if that monkey had any dignity at all, this would be enough to cause it move to a place where it is not known and find another line of work.

Clearly this is very unlikely. Even an infinite number of monkeys with an infinite number of typewriters would take countless years to come up with something even as simple as

But just in case it happens sooner than expected, let me just note, this column was originally written by Steve Galea and I'll sue.



### pic of the past

This week's Pic of the Past comes from Linda Coneybeare who shares this picture of her grandmother Mary Oliver from Halls Lake, left, with May Crofts of Wilberforce. Both Mary and May were war brides from the First World War and this photo is of them meeting for the first time in 1986 when they both were 97 years old. Mary Oliver was from Yorkshire and married Arthur Oliver, who had emigrated from Wales in the early 1900s. May was from the U.K. as well. Linda said the two women met once more when she took her grandmother to May's 100th birthday party. Mary lived to be 103 and died in November 1992. At the time she was the oldest citizen of Haliburton County.

letters to the editor

### Beach maintenance needed

To the Editor:

Re Head Lake Park Plan.

Hopefully a first effort in achieving the park's "potential" will be fixing the embarrassing public beach. We can bike to the park and the kids love swimming there, but this past summer the beach was only open until the first good rainstorm, then

run-off and goose poop closed it for the season due to bacteria levels. The once-lovely beach has become an eroded mess with old docks and refuse all over the place. Effective maintenance right now

> Ross Peacock Haliburton

### Nobody waved goodbye

When the call came in 1942 for children from my part of London, I was not quite eight years old. This was the time of the great evacuation. The British government was sending more than a million kids away from urban areas that were subject to German bombing. More than 8,000 children had been victims of Luftwaffe bombs and this move was to prevent more

Parents could not see their loved ones off as they had to work on war effort jobs. Instead volunteers collected the young travellers and marched them off to the train station.

So 800 young sters aged six to 14 boarded the train. Apart from being scared and uncertain as to what was happening, they all had something in common. They each had a small case with a change of clothes, ration books, a gas mask slung over one shoulder and a packed lunch. A large label pinned to coats gave name and personal details.

In my case the first destination was Waterloo terminus and then a transfer to a northbound train. We found out later that our destination was Leicester, in the Midlands, almost the centre of England.

When we arrived there were women volunteers, each of whom collected 20 tired and hungry youngsters and led them off into the streets. They had lists of homes that had spare

Doors were knocked and at each place the kids were handed over to sometimes unwilling hosts. At several places the woman of the house would declare they only wanted girls. I gathered girls were thought to be useful and boys could be a nuisance.

Soon a boy named Bob and I were all that were left. We were taken to a house of a childless couple and this was our "home" for the duration.

Some temporary war time boarders have happy memories of their stay. I regret my experience was somewhat different.

Our host were business people who left the house at 8 a.m. and did not return until six. So it was that we boys ran the dark and often rainy streets after school until the hosts returned. The best time I recall there was being allowed to listen to the nightly news on the

Leicester was said to be a safe location but it too suffered the blitz and we became quite familiar once more with air raid shelters.

But despite the (for me) unhappy time I spent there, one good pastime would stay with me to the present. I had a little pocket money and used it to buy stamps. My folks received letters, at least once a week. There was no sugarcoating it. Each one had the same theme. I was begging to come back to London.

Fourteen months after I arrived the letters paid off. I was going home. There was still the danger from V1 buzz bombs and V2 rockets. This meant shelters were much in use but eventually they passed with Nazi defeat.

I am told Leicester is a fine city today but I have never gone back.

Michael Barnes lives in Minden. He is a member of the Order of Canada.

### Ancestry research builds connection to grandfather's service

JENN WATT

Editor

Little was known about First World War veteran Angus Charles MacInnes before his grandson, Haliburton resident Wade MacInnes, began doing research

Angus died in 1934, the same year that Wade's father Angus George MacInnes (better known locally as "Gus") was born. And although his grandmother did talk about his grandfather, many details were left undiscovered.

Wade decided to do some research on Ancestry.ca and found out that Angus Charles MacInnes, who was born in Scotland and immigrated to Canada with his parents in 1904 on a Swedish freightliner, had six brothers and sisters and was able to find out more about him.

For example, he found that his grandfather had looked much like him – about the same height, weight, with the same colour eyes and hair. He worked in Toronto as a pattern maker, which is where he met Wade's grandmother, and when the country called for volunteers for the First World War, he enlisted with the 74th Battalion,

"In his logbook ... he mentioned jumping in trenches in France that were laden with mustard gas," Wade said. "They had gas masks, but by the time they had got them on, after jumping into this trench, they had inhaled."

Angus Charles MacInnes died in 1934 at age 51 and Wade said he wasn't able to find a cause of death and wasn't sure what health effects his grandfather suffered from his exposure to mustard gas.

(Mustard gas used in the First World War caused chemical burns on skin and although the mortality rate was low, it is believed that those who inhaled the gas had a higher risk of developing cancer later in life, military historian James Patton wrote in a piece for the University of Kansas Medical Centre.)

MacInnes said it is important that future generations take the time to learn about the bravery of the men and women who served their country.

"We can't let this fade away. So many kids nowadays



Wade MacInnes volunteered selling poppies outside the West Guilford Shopping Centre on Saturday, Nov. 7. With him, was a framed photograph and documents from his grandfather, Angus Charles MacInnes, who immigrated to Canada in 1904 from Scotland and fought in the First World War. MacInnes said his research on his grandfather, who died in 1934, has made the importance of Remembrance Day even more personal for him. /JENN WATT Staff

don't know the history. These people went over there – volunteered, in Canada. They weren't conscripted, they volunteered. And a lot of them lost their life fighting for our freedom. And it'd be a shame to let that slip away,"

Angus Charles MacInnes's son Gus went on to have

six children, 14 grandchildren and soon-to-be 16 greatgrandchildren.

'The name of the clan MacInnes of Morvern/Mull in Scotland was brought to Ontario, Canada with a leap of faith to find a new world and better life for him and his parents," Wade said. "Thank God for that."



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### Nearly \$1 billion over six years

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ICON [Improving Connectivity for Ontario] program, adding an additional \$150 million, bringing ICON funding to \$300 million," Scott said. An announcement of the initial \$150 million for the program was made in the spring. "This adds to the \$315 million that Ontario has invested in the past year."

All the funding combined totals nearly \$1 billion over a six-year period.

"We're hopeful that the federal government will release its Universal Broadband Fund," Scott said. "Ontario has stepped up and is putting \$1 billion on the table. Ontario isn't waiting any longer. That is why we are taking action today. As the premier has said, there is no more important infrastructure project than broadband."

The federal government subsequently announced the launch of the Universal Broadband Fund on Nov. 9, a \$1.75-billion program that aims to connect all Canadians, regardless of where they live, with broadband internet by 2030. The announcement did not include specifics about how

the new funding would be accessed. Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin sits on the board of the Eastern Ontario Regional Network, which is currently embarking on its \$213-million cell gap project, which aims to connect the remaining areas of eastern Ontario with low or no connectivity with mobile broadband inter-

"2020 has been a year like no other," Devolin said. "COVID-19 has highlighted the necessity for access to reliable, high-speed internet services for all Ontarians. Just as the construction of the railroad brought people together spurring economic growth across the country, building broadband networks that allow residents and businesses to connect with each other and the world, will help our communities here and across the province flourish. EORN has been fortunate to work with the provincial and federal governments on joint connectivity projects, including the

current cell gap project."

The provincial and federal government each supplied \$71 million for that project, the remainder coming from telecom providers, as well as municipal governments.

"When this project is completed, it will ensure that no matter where people live, work or travel on major roadways, that they can use their mobile devices to make a call or connect to do important business. We know that this is just one component of a connected region, and more needs to be done. EORN looks forward to continuing to work with the government of Ontario to help our

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# Wildlife in your backyard



West Guilford resident Pat Bain captured this scene close to her home with her tablet on Nov. 3. She said, it's "something I have never seen in all the years that I've lived on Pine Lake in West Guilford. These six glorious swans gave us the pleasure of their presence today.

"We've got our ducks - I mean turkeys and deer in a row here on the Parish Line," writes Myra Stephen.





### Crossword brought to you by

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### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Popular pickup truck
- 4. Profoundly wise men
- 9. Camera company
- 14. Folk singer DiFranco
- 15. Passerine birds
- 16. Plum-shaped fruit used for preserves
- 17. Popular kids channel
- 18. Dodgers' skipper
- 20. Removes
- 22. The Atlantic is one
- 23. Badgerlike mammal
- 24. Foulness
- 28. Luke's mentor \_\_-Wan
- 29. Commercial
- 30. A type of gin
- 31. Temptress
- 33. Shuts in an enclosed space
- 37. Milligram
- 38. Actress Adams
- 39. Strive to equal or match
- 41. Health insurance
- 42. A detective's source
- 43. Small American rails
- 44. Alfred \_\_\_, Brit. poet
- 46. Crest of a hill
- 49. Atomic #52
- 50. \_\_ Caesar, comedian 51. Breaks apart
- 55. Register formally (Brit. sp.)
- 58. Worker
- 59. Chemical compound
- 60. Disgraced newsman
- 64. Born of
- 65. Chemical substance
- 66. Supernatural powers
- 67. Clothes
- 68. Indy footballers
- 69. Moves forward
- 70. Midway between south and southeast

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Driver
- 2. Bone cavities
- 3. Menacing
- 4. Where coaches patrol
- 5. Greek mythological figure
- 6. War-based board game
- 7. Midway between northeast and east
- 8. 18-year period in astronomy
- 9. Mid-century term used to describe Japanese-Americans
- 10. Large bodies of water
- 11. Eurasian ryegrass
- 12. Perform on stage
- 13. Greek island
- 19. 10th month of the year (abbr.)
- 21. One point east of southeast
- 24. Belgian city
- 25. Praise excessively
- 26. River in France
- 27. Edible lily bulbs
- 31. Quarterbacks take them 32. Organic compound
- 34. Tears down (Brit.)
- 35. Beloved Hollywood alien
- 36. Unconscious
- 40. Missouri
- 41. Firemen use them
- 45. Pig noise
- 47. Greatly dismay
- 48. Imitator
- 52. Moves by turning over
- 53. Boxing's GOAT
- 54. Swarms with
- 56. Margarines
- 57. Feudal superior 59. As fast as can be done
- 60. Reciprocal of a sine
- 61. Chinese city
- 62. Tell on
- 63. United

Answers on page 15

## War Boy

To mark the 75th anniversary of the end of the Second World War, over the course of eight weeks, the Echo is publishing Haliburton resident Martin Hofland's first-person account of living through the war as a child in Holland, originally published in his book, War Boy. This is the final instalment.

### Liberation

One morning in May 1945, I awoke to the sound of liberation - the big Lancaster airplanes. They flew so low that we could almost reach up and touch their wheels. The Canadians were dropping bulk packages of food! Tears rolled down my face, and I cried with joy. People stood together, holding each other, and waved at the pilots. They waved back by rocking their wings. We called them the "Angels of the Sky." I was very thin, badly dressed and wearing shoes with almost no sole. As a boy of 12, my weight was only 25 lbs and standing with a swollen stomach from malnutrition. And as the food came down, some people fainted from overwhelming. It was a moment that is making my tears roll again while I am writing this down. And beside me was someone. He put his hand on my shoulder. It was my best friend. He was always there to pull me through, to make it. This is what I call a friend. The Allies dropped 3,225 to 8,000 tons of provisions each day, 11 million rations in total. Food instead of bombs! At first many people could not handle the food. Their stomachs were shrunk from starvation. Despite the warnings from the Red Cross, some people ate too much too quickly, and died. At home we were celebrating with a loaf of bread. Boy oh boy, that first slice of bread was a blessing! The celebration in Holland was unstoppable, and went on for weeks. Still today, the Dutch celebrate once each year, thanking the Canadians, for our freedom. Many Allies paid a bloody price for our freedom, and I can't say thank you enough, to the soldiers who saved us from death in our darkest hours. After suffering for so many years the Dutch people had forgotten how to laugh, and we had to learn to laugh all over again.

### Moves nine and 10

After the war, we moved into another house in Loosduinen, then, move number 10 brought us back to our old house in Scheveningen, where I was born. I had travelled a full circle! But the house was badly damaged by the bombing. After it was restored, it became "Home Sweet Home" again.

### A new start

In 1966, I moved, with my beautiful new bride, to Canada. I now live in Haliburton Ontario, far from memories of war. I have risked my life for a piece of bread for my family, and I did it with love. It was hard to go through and it is hard to forget. Many today, take their freedom for

granted, but I urge you to think about how you got it. I have crawled through the eye of a needle many times, and I think my grandmother was right when she said "That boy has a guardian angel." Pain did not kill me. Starvation did not kill me. The bombs did not kill me. Minefields did not kill me. Suffering cold and malnutrition did not kill me. I know that I was never alone! I have given a brief statement of my experiences during the war. There were many more adventures that I did not mention in this small book. They were also dangerous and irresponsible, and could have killed me many times over, but if you are cornered, with no way out, you act without thinking. You just do it. I survived

If everything is taken away, By cold and dangerous wind, Exhausted with hunger and pain, A struggle to go forward. In despair you fold your fingers, Then someone will hear; He will come to your rescue, And take away your tear.

by Martin Hofland

### School without doors

The war was my "school without doors." It taught me the difference between:

- war and peace
- life and death • brutality compassion
- freedom and occupation
- order and disorder
- I learned:
- to appreciate the simple things and the true meaning of life
  - about respect and responsibility
  - about danger and fear
  - about facing death by starvation
- to be strong while you are weak how to fold my fingers in desperation

• to hang on and survive YES, I have learned my lessons very well! I carried the painful memories of war and hardship of starvation with me during my life. The scars did never leave me, and I have to carry on. May God bless Canada.

### My personal message to the young generation

The Holocaust of starvation was a long and painful experience for millions of children, adults and myself in WWII. Most of them never did make it. Their bodies couldn't handle it anymore. Be aware, history repeats itself quite often. Today it happens in many parts of the world, even in our own backyard. Today many children and elderly are struggling and go to bed hungry. This should be an issue of the past. You can help to prevent the horror of hunger and starvation. There are many programs you can participate in. Think about it. Don't be just a bystander!

## Apartment urgently needed

Community members have an immediate need for a small apartment for grandparents and a one-year-old child. They hope for access for this good-natured little guy and themselves before his birthday on Nov. 25. Call me as soon as possible with good news for them.

Cheers for the recovery of Christopher Chumbley who has been in Peterborough Hospital for five days. His presence has been missed over the past week.

Hunting season has been blessed with

wonderful weather in the bush. At the various camps it was great to be out in this weather for the hunt. More about that when the season is over and results are known. At the Cooper Hunt the following family and regular hunters have been present: George and Adam Cooper, Shireen is there despite a broken leg, and daughter Daphne of Calgary who was able to come and assist the expert cook with great success in the cook house.

Eleanor Cooper, West Guilford news



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## **Highlands Christmas Shindig set to warm homes**

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

The seventh annual Highlands Christmas Shindig is gearing up to warm the homes of residents throughout the county, both in supporting Fuel for Warmth's efforts to alleviate heating challenges during the winter season, and in connecting community both near and far with an entertaining show that promises to kickstart the season

of spirited giving.

"At the end of November, we're into the shorter days, the weather starts to turn cold, Christmas is still a fair distance away, and I think for people it's that bright evening where they get to see some great local talent, they get to have a little fun along the way, they walk out feeling it was time well-spent, and they get to support a really important cause," said Mike Jaycock, who founded the annual Christmas pantomime alongside his dear friend Lorraine McNeil, leads a committee that organizes the show, writes the script and MCs the evening. "I think the Shindig has really developed into something that on the calendar makes a lot of sense and as an entity, provides people with exactly what they're looking for at that time of year. I think that's just marvellous."

The annual variety show will go on this year despite the pandemic, though instead of bringing the community together at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion for an event that has historically been sold-out, viewers will be able to tune in to what promises to be a delightful show from the comfort of their own homes.

Jaycock said planning a digital show broadcasting live

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at a virtual meeting, on December 8, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance fronting of Lot 16, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by SIMON KASPRZAK LAND SURVEYING, dated August 18, 2018. (Part 1 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).

Part of Lot 16, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 3 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by SIMON KASPRZAK LAND SURVEYING, dated August 18, 2018.

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DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 10th day of November, 2020.

> ROBYN ROGERS, MUNICIPAL CLERK rrogers@highlandseast.ca Box 295, 2249 Loop Road WILBERFORCE, ON KOL 3C0 (705) 448-2981



Dame Beatrice laughs with the audience during some banter with musicians Rob Muir, left, and Nick Russell at the Highlands Christmas Shindig in 2018./File photo

from three locations triples the level of attention for the planning and production team, but that he is grateful for the committee helping to pull it all together to continue the event's legacy of success and is excited to see what the night will bring.

"When we were meeting early in the season, at our first meeting, everybody said, we have to do this because we know the need is going to be greater this year, because of COVID and the employment situation resulting from that, has put many more people under pressure,

### **NOTICE** (Applicant -LOGAN-GRAAB)

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and we're positive... that there's going to be a much greater need this year," said Jaycock. "To a person, they all said, let's go for it, let's do it."

The Highlands Christmas Shindig will be broadcast live from www.shindigtv.ca, with the website being made available in advance so those planning on watching can test their home set-up and ensure everything is in working order ahead of the show. The Shindig will be available to viewers from any location, via internet.

"We can accommodate about 230 people in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, and as someone on the committee said, you know, [online] we could end up having a few thousand people watching this," said Jay-

Year after year, Jaycock has famously brought to life Dame Beatrice on stage as host. "I'm quite excited to see what she'll be wearing as well," he said, in response to what bedazzling look he might adorn his beloved alter ego with this year. "Melissa Stephens approached me and said she would be delighted to come up with an ensemble for Dame Beatrice and I thought, oh, well, the costume maker supreme. So I said to Melissa, just a week ago, Dame Beatrice has to think about her accoutrements, her necklace, her bracelet, her fancy glasses – what colour is she going to be wearing? And Melissa said, 'there'll be a lot of gold!' That was it. So I think it will be a bit of a mystery up to the week before but I have no doubt that it

The first few shows, Jaycock co-hosted alongside Elf, played by McNeil, who passed in 2018, and later alongside his brother Peter's Sir Cedric Bridlington and Penelope, portrayed by Victoria Bingham. The Jaycocks and Bingham are set to return for the show, with the trio broadcasting from Littlesex, England through the magic of a green screen at Canoe FM Radio Hall - surely getting up to their usual enjoyable shenanigans of roasting local politicians and well-known community members, commenting on current events and announcing a stellar set of local talent.

"There will be more pressure because we won't have the audience reaction, but at the same time we have the opportunity to create a little team spirit and hopefully generate fun amongst ourselves and that will translate into good television," said Jaycock.

He is proud of the talented acts that the 2020 show boasts, most who he said responded very quickly with an interest in being part of the Shindig. This year, Kate Campbell and Nick Russell, Bill Candy, and Chad Ingram and Tim Tofflemire will perform from a new venue within the Dominion Hotel, while Stan Russell and Tom Regina, Carl Dixon and Richard Margison take to the stage at Haliburton Highlands Museum for the 90-minute show. Appearances will also be made by Canadian celebrities including Rick Mercer, Kurt Browning, Ron James and Steve Smith, with messages in support of the Shindig's efforts. Broadcasting online from three different locations requires three separate production teams of community volunteers, including ack Brezina, Betty and David Mills, Sean Pennylegion, Heather Smith, Barb Murphy and Mike Jaycock, and a tech team of Tammy Rea, Jim Love, Nick Russell and Mark Tomlinson – each location will be overseen by a small crew of a camera person, an audio controller and

"It's a very cool group of people that are really coming together to make this happen," said Rea, who said she has seen the song list and teased the choices are perfect.

The fundraiser has, in the previous six years, brought in more than \$110,000 for Fuel for Warmth, a volunteer charitable agency which provides temporary emergency heat assistance to those around Haliburton County in need of help with their heating bills or obtaining fuel. This year, rather than purchasing tickets for the show at a set price, viewers will be able to donate what they can online, and the show is also sponsored by local busi-

"I think we're all aware that warmth and food have en a chanenge for many this year it is pandemic-level," said Rea. "It's going to be a hard time, it really is. That's why I'm so proud of the Shindig, because I really feel like, everyone's putting so much effort into trying to make it so the community can hold hands, and kind of be together before we get into this, and to just share what we have for the winter.'

"If we achieve our objective - we give good entertainment and do well for Fuel for Warmth – then that's a great pre-Christmas gift for all of us," said Jaycock.

The Highlands Christmas Shindig takes place Saturday evening, Nov. 28 at 7 p.m.. For more information visit www.shindigtv.ca and www.fuelforwarmth.com/.













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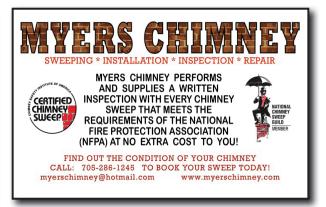
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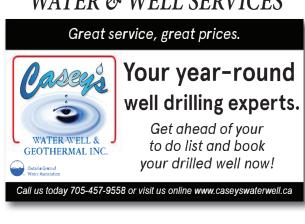
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### Students remember: Essays on Remembrance Day

The following essays were submitted by Grade 7/8 students from J.D. Hodgson Elementary School.

#### **Ancestors**

Often on Remembrance Day I think about what it was like for my great grandparents who met during the Second World War. My great grandfather was a mechanic from Scotland who worked on tanks and airplanes. My great grandmother was a parachute packer also from Scotland. I don't know how they met but I know that they met and got married during the war. What was it like for them? Were they ever in a battle? They were not soldiers but anything can happen in a time of war.

What would I do if I was in their shoes? I would constantly be worried that the hangar I'm working in will be bombed or the plane that I'm packing parachutes for will be shot down. War must be very stressful. I bet all of my great grandparents' hair turned grey. Mine probably would have too.

Would I be willing to go to war for my country? I would probably be a soldier because I'm not a mechanic or anything and I know how to work a gun. Would I be old enough? They would have to be desperate to let a 12-year-old go to war. What would I do if I stayed home? I heard somewhere that when the older teenagers and young adults went to fight the younger kids took on their normal jobs.

I wonder how my great grandparents met? Did they serve at the same base or meet in battle?

I think they were probably at the same base for a while. What happened when they were separated? It was bound to happen. They probably spent all day thinking about each other. But they likely got back together again

What happened after the war when all the fighting was over? It would take some time to go back to normal life. Some people might not have ever been able to go back to normal life because it wasn't normal to them. Ĭ don't know if they had PTSD but many people did. When the war was over my great grandparents had a kid then seven years later they moved to Canada to start a

In conclusion, many of our ancestors fought and died in the war and the only thing left of them is their stories.

Benjamin McMahon

#### Remembrance Day

Every year on Nov. 11, we celebrate Remembrance Day to remember the fallen soldiers who risked their lives in both world wars. On Remembrance Day, I am thankful for the veterans who fought in these wars as they gave freedom for our country.

Remembrance Day was a tradition that was started by King George V to honour the fallen soldiers and those who fought for freedom. The war ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. Remembrance Day was originally called Armistice Day. At ll a.m. on Remembrance Day we take a minute of silence to reflect on past and present veterans and the struggles they had to go through while they were away from their families. We take time to remember the people who didn't come back home to their families. Remembrance

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Poppy by Carter Mitchell

Day is celebrated in over 54 commonwealth countries which include Canada, Great Britain, France and Australia. Also they play a popular song on Remembrance Day called the Last Post which is played by a trumpet and people lay wreaths at war memorials. In Canada we remember over 2,300,000 Canadians who fought in the war throughout our nation's history. As well 118,000 veterans risked their lives and died in the line of duty

In my community we celebrate Remembrance Day. They lay down wreaths at a ceremony and they say everyone's name who fought in the war. They also play music from a bagpipe band. In the past my Nana has laid down a wreath at the cenotaph on main street in Haliburton. My Nana did this to honour her dad, my great Papa who fought in the Second World War.

There are many things that are linked to Remembrance Day. First of all, the poppy. The meaning of the poppy is a symbol of recovery and remembering fallen soldiers who fought for our freedom. The poppy grew on the battlefields after the First World War ended. They grew from lime being deposited into the ground from battle debris. The poppy is worn on your left side because it is closer to your heart the same as military medals. The Queen wears five poppies to represent each branch of service. These branches include the army, navy, air force, civil defence and women. The poppy was made famous by the poem *In Flanders Fields*. *In Flanders Fields* is a popular poem during Remembrance Day ceremonies. Medical Officer John McCrae wrote Flanders Fields on a scrap

piece of paper in the First World War, 1915. He was not expecting the poem to become so famous and specifically linked with Remembrance Day.

Finally, I feel Remembrance Day is very important to our community because we are able to get together as a community to celebrate and remember the ones who lived and died for our freedom. I hope Remembrance Day can be celebrated for many years to come.

By Brechin Johnston

### Remember the day

I'm sitting at home right now thinking about Remembrance Day. Remembrance Day is about remembering the men and women who risked their lives for our country and its people. If you talk and think about it, we wouldn't have homes or all the luxuries we have if it wasn't for the soldiers who fought for our country's freedom. I couldn't imagine how it would feel to sleep and fight in trenches when at home we have nice warm comfortable beds. If someone in my family was at war I would be very scared for them but I would also be proud that they are giving up everything to fight for the freedom of our country

I bet it would be hard for the families of soldiers, who were at home, not knowing if their husband, brother, sister, or son was alive or not, wondering each and every day. Think about the families who had someone come to them or receive a letter saying that your son, husband, brother had been killed, gone missing or was stolen by

It's so cool when you get to hear a person who has been to war talk, but it's also scary knowing that this actually happened and may happen again. It's crazy when you think about what the veterans must feel or what they felt.

Our veterans are old and they will soon not be here anymore so we will have to learn the history of what happened so we can keep telling their stories to our kids and grandkids.

We wear poppies on our shirts to symbolize the blood that has been shed by soldiers throughout the war. Plastic poppies are sold to the public and people wear them on their shirts or hats. Remembrance Day takes place every year on 11th of November. It's held to remember all those who died fighting in the world wars.

Every year our school goes to a ceremony in town and we watch people march down the roads, making cool music with drums and other instruments. Some veterans even get to talk a little bit about their experience. It's really cool to see the perspectives that people who have been to war have about it all. Some veterans even get pushed in wheelchairs or walk with the parade and play

On November 11 at 11:11 the war ended, so that's when we take a moment of silence every year to think about everything that has happened in these wars and all the heroes that gave our country freedom.

Lara Gallant



### **COUNTY OF HALIBURTON** SPECIAL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

**Shoreline Preservation** 

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council for the County

Monday, November 23, 2020 at 9:00 A.M to consider the draft Shoreline Preservation By-law

AND FURTHER THAT this meeting will be held through remote electronic means in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended by Bill 187, the Municipal Emergency Act, 2020 and an Order in Council of March 28, 2020, which amended the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

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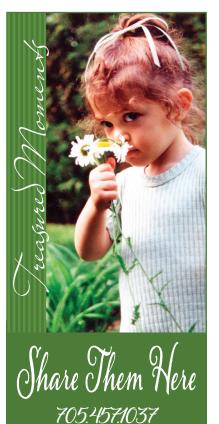
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When I came here in 1965 at the age of 17, little did I realize how much the saying "It takes a village to raise a child" would come to mean so much to me. This village has put their arms around me and helped me to go from this scared young girl to a successful woman. They put their arms around my 2 boys as well and you never know how true that is until a tragedy happens.

Thank you for all the kindness, prayers, plants, flowers, cards, food and donations. Thank you to Avery Salem, Chris and Natasha Coombs, Toni Cooper, Michelle Jones and my entire family for all the love and support. Thank you to Bonnie Wyonch for your domestic skills. Thank you to Aaron and Tamny Salem and family for the Red Maple tree and the lovely plant.

Special love and thanks to Lori and to granddaughters Sierra (Tyson) and Nicole (Logan) and Chelsea.

Thank you all for helping me to cope when my whole world was turned upside down.



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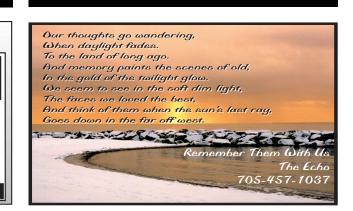
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### MURPHY, Edward (Ted)

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Ted Murphy.

Ted fought numerous health issues with strength and courage and passed away on Saturday November 7,2020 at the Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay in his 82 year. Going to be missed by his loving wife of 51 years Beatrice (Lee). Predeceased by his parents Jack and Eva Murphy, sisters Lorraine (survived by Bill Barton) and Maureen, and brother-in-law Murray Lee (survived by Shirley). Ted is survived by his sister-in-law Annabelle Ball (Alan) and brother-in-law George Lee (Isabel); he will be remembered always by his many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, extended family and friends.

A Private Family Graveside Service will be held at the Greenbank Cemetery in Spring 2021. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Low & Low Funeral Home, 23 Main Street South, Box 388, Uxbridge L9P 1M8 (905-852-3073). If desired memorial donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences can be made at www.lowandlow.ca



Ontario. The brothers signed up for the Royal Canadian Armed Forces in June of 1942 at age 19 and 18 years old. They both trained in Canada and then shipped overseas to England for further training. Ken was in the infantry and was part of the second wave on D-Day at Juno Beach in Normandy on June 6, 1944. He fought all the way through Europe and helped liberate Holland. Bud was in the tank core and also fought in France until he was wounded on September 23, 1944. They both survived the war, came home, married and raised ten children between the two of them.

#### They will remain forever in our hearts.

A year ago I was going through my Mother's Memory Box and discovered a bag of letters. I opened the bag and started to read the letters and to my surprise it contained over 150 letters that Ken and Bud mailed home to our grandparents during the war from 1942 to 1946. Our grandmother saved their letters. We never knew about the letters and feel blessed to have them.

Lynne (Teasdale) Bork

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### Karl Kalinski

Peacefully at his residence in Haliburton on Friday morning, November 6, 2020 in his 96th year. Beloved husband of the late Margaret Kalinski (nee Bussman). Also remembered by his family and many friends.

#### **Private Graveside Service**

A Private Graveside Service will take place. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY **FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

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### **Ronald George Edward Elstone**

With profound sadness the Elstone family announces the unexpected passing of Ron Elstone in the Kemptville & District Hospital on October 26, 2020, in his 89th year.

He will missed by his wife Mavis, his children Paull , Nanci Hunter (Jeff), grandchildren Alex and Mallory Elstone, Ryan (Sydney) and Nick (Jaimie) Hunter, and great granddaughters Annalee and Kinslee

Hunter, his brother Merv (Dorene) and sister Judy Rennick (Don) and many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his parents Clifford and Dora Elstone, and sister Helen Feir (Creighton). He married Mavis Sisson in July 1955; they celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary this past summer.

In 1955 he began his career in policing, first with the Ontario Provincial Police in the Ottawa area, and then the Nepean Police Force where he attained the rank of Inspector before retiring in 1986. The family moved from Bells Corners to Bishops Mills in 1974. He and Mavis restored an 1878 brick farmhouse and lived there until his death. They became antique collectors and restored many of their findings obtained at auction and garage sales.

Ron was an accomplished painter, and wood carver. He has won awards for his carving of ducks. He enjoyed his time carving loons, birds, feathers and any other item that came to mind. Many of these artefacts adorn the homes of his extended family. He attended St Andrew's Unite Church in Bishops Mills. He enjoyed volunteering for his community. His gardens were legendary. He was a great communicator and could hold a conversation and share stories with almost everyone.

Ron was a Collector of the collectable, Collector of the uncollectible, Grower of vegetables, Painter of paintings, Carver of birds, Teller of tales, Salt of the earth. Father, Brother, Husband, Son, Friend, Grandfather, Uncle.

Cremation has taken place. Interment was made in the Bishops Mills Cemetery with a private family ceremony, observing the COVID constraints.



### High voter turnout leads to upsets

With one of the largest voter tur-nouts ever, cottagers let their voice be heard in many of the larger

While Chris Hodgson won the reeve's position by a landslide in Dysart et al, Anson, Hindon and Minden's race for reeve was too close to call until the final results

By a margin of 148 votes, incumbent Bern Berry was elected
AHM reeve, edging out councillor
Verne Graham. Graham garnered
645 votes compared to Berry's
793. The two other candidates,
former reeve Ray Moore and
former Lutterworth reeve Ron

Gambell, came in at 492 and 396.
AHM's new deputy is Lewis
Stevens, who had 1,377 voting for
him, compared to 886 for Bob
Sisson.
On council, first-time candidate
Jean Anthon came out on top with
1,761 votes. Another lakeshore
resident, Grant Plooard, was next

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ith 1,288, while former bank anager Gerald Rome garnered 107 Losing their bids were Jim arbutt (1,083) and Francine exton (433)

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In Dysart, it was a close vote for the deputy-reeve's chair. Newcomer Curry Bishop topped the polls with 1,057, with councillor Bob Nichol at 804 and newcomer Jack Cox at 552.

In Dysart's Ward 3, incumbent Lloyd Leadbeater, who served as deputy-reeve since a shake-up two years ago, inched out former Martin's Lumber employee Tom Coghlain. The vote was 126 to 122. In Ward 5, Robert Heinze defeated Larry Tupling 216 to 127.

The four incumbent trustees, Les Salvatori (1,678), Nancy Stinson (1,378), Tim Casey (1,356) and Wayne Wood (1,230) were re-

elected.

Cottagers came out in full force in AHM. In the 1988 election, about 350 people voted in the advanced polls; this year, with two advanced polls on Saturdays, the number reached over 1,200. Cottagers are usually the heaviest users of advanced polls.

"The cottagers have come out like they've never come out before," says Glamorgan's clerk, Elva Bates, in announcing the municipality's results.

In an upset vote, newcomer

In an upset vote, newcomer Beverly MacDuff beat out longrving reeve Bob McCausland by

close vote of 366 to 327.
MacDuff was against the way

councillor in a 1990 by-election, handled the way it introduced market value assessment. Many voters seemed to agree with her, as incumbent councillors lost their

ats. New faces on Glamorgan council are lakeshore residents Bill Challis, leading with 408 votes, Lorrie Saville with 369 and local resident Earl MacDuff with 350.

resident Earl MacDuff with 350. No longer on council are Alfred Trotter, who garnered 272 votes and Clive Taylor, who came in at 259. Roger Billings rounded out the poll at 243.

Voter turnout in Stanhope was "excellent", with approximately 75 percent more voters turning up at the polls to vote in Fred Gardner as reeve. With 433 votes, he beat out Ann Barker, who is presently deputy-reeve and who

beat out Ann Barker, who is presently deputy-reeve and who garnered 344 votes.

In other Stanhope races, incumbent councillor Murray Daniels topped the polls with 496 votes, followed by newcomers Barb Nangle, 448, Jim Hicks, 427, Bob Pollard, 354, each Ed., 77 Pollard, 354, and Ed Turner at

Incumbent councillors topped the polls in Lutterworth, where it was a five-way race for three councillor positions. Back on council are Maurice Boyd (336), Bill Valentine (292) and Lisa Mercer (226.) Losing their first-time bids were Paul Pilon Jr. (203) and William Moss (136).

The race was very close in Mon-

mouth's race for deputy-reeve. In-cumbent Harry Clark garnered 260 otes, compared to Jim Deterling's

With approximately 25 percent of Monmouth's electorate voting (compared to a 10 percent turnout in previous elections), Dwain Tighe is back as councillor, topping the polls at 339, followed by newcomers Ruth Strong (293), Wren Hughes (229). Losing their bids are Michael Oram (199), Fred Meharrie (149), and Harry Dale

Along with Monmouth, cottage Along with Monmouth, cottage turnout was not strong in Sher-borne et al, with its usual 10 percent voter turnout. Getting on as the three councillors are Robert Canning (223), incumbers Joyce McKey (176), and by only one vote, Lyle Aubin with 167 votes. There may be a count as There may be a re-count as newcomer Beverly Griffith garned 166 votes. David Bradbury came in with 67 votes.

Cardiff will almost have a com pletely new council, with in-cumbents not doing well in the polls. Former municipal employee Tom Elliott was the clear winner as reeve with 589 votes, compared to Garth Clark's 186. Dan Rivett is in as deputy with 469 votes, compared to Ron Mumford's 306

On council, newcomer Helen McIntyre proved popular, garner-ing 359 votes. Incumbent Mac Peters returns with 304 votes, and Bill Davis is in with 297. Incumbent councillors Oscar White (150) and Keith Murphy (181) were not re-elected

### What role will the Legion play in the future?

by MARTHA PERKINS

Every blustery November 11, the trim rows of men in blue uniforms march solemnly down main streets across the country But in recent years, the lines have grown smaller, the hair has grown grayer, and the step is not as sure as it once was.

as it once was.

An 18-year-old boy who signed up in the army, navy or air force in September, 1939 is now 70 years old. Many of the men they went to battle with were older than that; others signed up in later years. Now we are in the midst of the 50th anniversaries of the event. years. Now we are in the events the 50th anniversaries of the events which transformed their lives -

and history.

With the number of veterans dwindling at an estimated 25,000 a year, what will be the role of the Royal Canadian Legion a decade from now? There are no World War I vets left in Haliburton; what

war i vets left in Hailburton; what happens when the World War II vets are gone too?
"Unfortunately, the Legion's not dying but it is losing its purity as a veterans club. But we don't want to have a war to get recruits—that's the last thing these veterans would want." says Daye veterans would want," says Dave

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McAdam, president of Minden Branch 636.—
"As time goes on," says the Haliburton Legion's president, Ed Pickard, "I'm not sure where we're heading, How do we attract new members and keep it associated with the military?"

After World War I, veterans associations sprung up, but by their number, they were almost counter-productive in their amost counter-productive in their aim to get federal benefits for their members. The Great Warr Veterans' Association gained ascendancy, and in 1925, oversaw the amalgamation of many of the smaller groups into the Royal Canadian Legion.

There are still 600,000 veterans left in Canada, says Greg Hogan, the secretary of the Dominion Command Poppy Committee in Ottawa. Recent legislation opening up benefits to those who served in the Gulf War and in Canada's peacekeeping missions, adds another 100,000.

As the veterans get older the

As the veterans get older, they need the Legion more, and Hogan

need the Legion more, and Hogan says Canada's benefit package is one of the best in the world. "For the foreseeable future, the Legion will carry on much as it Please turn to page 12



THE LAST POST: Piper Earl Cooper listens pensively as Damon Smith plays the Last Post at Haliburton's Remembrance Day service on Monday.



Memories of fallen comrades . . .

REMEMBERING: Local vete HEMEMBERING: Local veterans and Legion members or eremony. The parade was led by the Haliburton Legion marched in sombre procession to the cendraph in Pipe Band, and included the Cadet Corps as well as the Haliburton on Monday for a Remembrance Day colour party. For the first time in years, it didn't snow.

### Junior high works with good teachers: Saunders

by MARTHA PERKINS

The key to a successful junior high school is choosing the right teachers and administrators, says

teachers and administrators, says the county's director of education. "If you have a principal who has talent, if you have good teachers who are highly motivated and provide good leadership, you'll have a good school," Brad Saunders said in an interview with The Echo. "If you have bad teachers, it doesn't matter how you're organized, it's going to be a bad school. "What really matters is do you have teachers committed to working with kids of that age group. You have to put square pegs in square holes."

Everyone has a legitimate opi-

square holes."

Everyone has a legitimate opinion about the correctness of a school for Grades 7, 8 and 9 students, he says. "There is no right answer or correct one."

But a junior high school would not simply be a free-standing.

not simply be a free-standing replica of how those grades are being taught now. A new, comprehensive study of educating young adolescents in what are known as "the transition years" is Rites of Passage, which Saunders cites.

schools have Grades 7, 8 and 9 on meet the needs of the kids schools have Grades 7, 8 and 9 on a rotary system, with students going from class to class for electives such as music and physical education. The old theory was this would help them make the adjustment from elementary school, where one teacher taught all subjects, to high school, where different subjects are taught by different teachers. "Current research is we couldn't

rought by different teachers.
"Current research is we couldn't be doing it in a worse fashion," says Saunders. At that age group, when so many other things are changing in their lives, students "need consistency and few adult figures so they're not bouncing from person to person. That's one of the reasons why the Ministry of Education is thinking about de-flucation is thinking about de-flucation is thinking about Education is thinking about destreaming.

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Saunders, who arrived in August, suggested the junior high school, not only as a solution to the accommodation crisis, but also as the best means of meeting the students' needs.

"We can do a better job and we owe it to them to do it," says Saunders, who's convinced the county has the necessary number of committed and talented teachers to make it work. "The longer I'm at it, the more I find very caring people looking for better ways to At present, the majority of people looking for better ways to

"Sometimes we make bad choices (but) we're learning more and more about how kids learn and how the brain works. All we can do is respect the new information and try to do a better job."

Saunders says trustees asked the administration for input when it seemed the accommodation debate would never end.

"Now that we have approval for funding, the concern was that this board was coming to the end of its term and it was felt a decision should be made by this board, or else you'd essentially be starting this whole dialogue all over again."

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